

Biography/Introduction for:

Virginia S. Hinshaw Ph.D.
Provost and Executive Vice Chancellor
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Virginia S. Hinshaw Ph.D. serves as the Provost and Executive Vice Chancellor of the University of California, Davis. In that capacity, she is the campus's chief academic and financial officer. Hinshaw's responsibilities include oversight of the campus's \$2.2 billion budget and overall responsibility for the UC Davis Health System; campus operations, including resource management, planning and policy development; and strategic leadership in planning, coordinating and implementing academic direction and programs. Prior to joining UC Davis in 2001, she served as the Dean of the Graduate School and Vice Chancellor for Research at the University of Wisconsin, Madison.

In addition to her administrative duties, Hinshaw maintains a joint appointment in two academic departments as a Professor of Virology in the Department of Internal Medicine, School of Medicine, and in the Department of Pathology, Microbiology and Immunology, School of Veterinary Medicine at UC Davis. For over 25 years she has conducted research on viruses, primarily influenza, at different hospitals and universities, including Medical College of Virginia, University of California Berkeley, St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, Harvard Medical School, and the University of Wisconsin Madison. Hinshaw's research has increased our understanding of various aspects of influenza viruses, such as important hosts in nature, transmission among humans, lower mammals and birds, genetic changes related to disease severity, the molecular basis of cell killing, and new approaches to vaccines. Her innovative and energetic teaching style, combined with her continual advocacy for research and education, has earned her national recognition and acclaim.

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